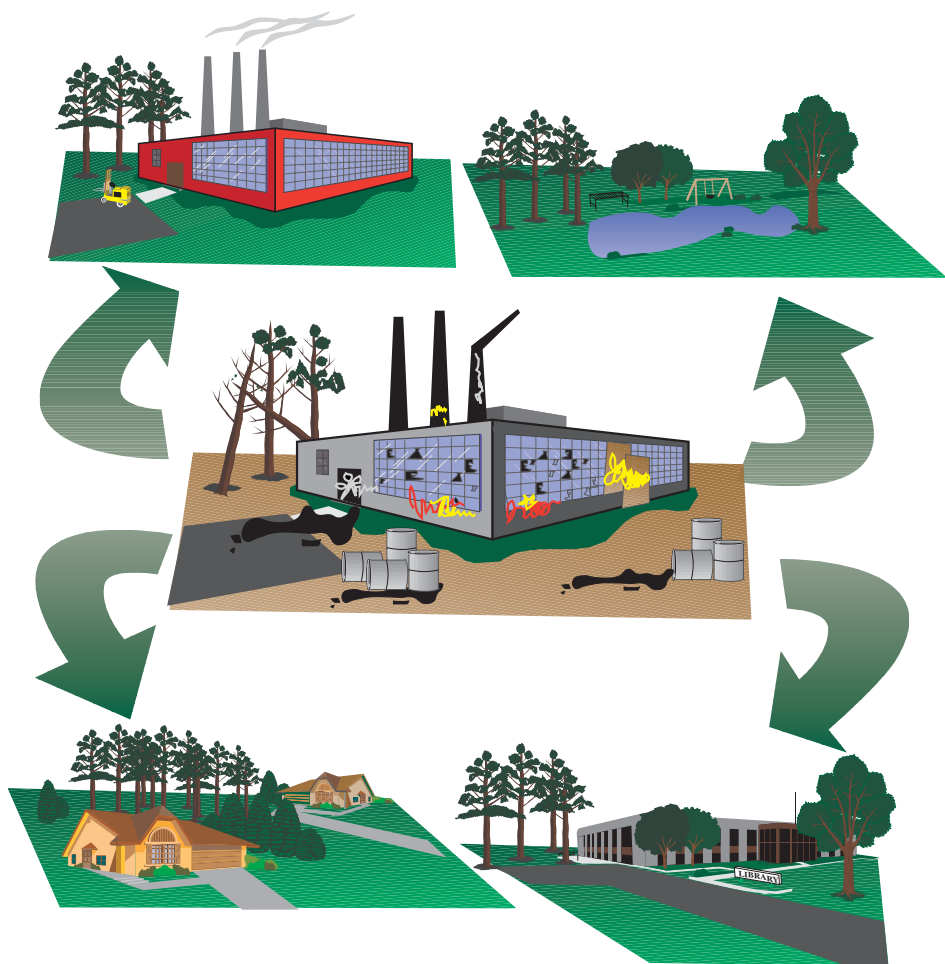




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EPA's enforcement and compliance program has been a partner in the Agency's Brownfields Initiative since its inception. As part of the Brownfields Action Agenda, EPA has developed a broad array of tools to encourage the cleanup and reuse of contaminated property (such as brownfields) and address Superfund environmental liability-based barriers. The *Handbook of Tools for Managing Federal Superfund Liability Risks at Brownfields and Other Sites* is a compilation of those tools to provide the reader with an understanding of federal liability as it relates to real property. With this handbook, we hope to encourage property reuse using the tools to evaluate the benefits of redeveloping a brownfield property against any environmental risks associated with that property.

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We look forward to working with you in this important field.



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